has been effected with Dr. Swaroj Paul, Chairman, Caparo Group, to set up a steel plant in the State. The State Government also have a propisal for participating in a plant to be set up a Consortium consisting of various organisations. The plant will manufacture pig iron and sponge iron in the first phase. Both these plants are proposed to be located in Dubri area near Daitari. There is no proposal for any mini steel plant with State Government assistance.

Upgradation of salem steel plant

1523. SHRI TINDIVANEM G. VENKATRAMAN: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to upgrade Salem Steel Rolling Plant;

(b) if so, by when the proposal is likely to be implemented; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF STEEL (SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) to (c) At present, there is no proposal under consideration of the Government of India to convert Salem Steel Plant into an Integrated Steel Plant. Salem Steel Plant has commissioned its second cold rolling mill in March, 1991. Government have further sanctioned, in April, 1991, a scheme for setting up of hot rolling facilities in the plant at a cost of over Rs. 425 crores, as a measure of backward integration. Further expension of the plant will be feasible after production from these additional facilities is fully stabilised

Iron ore mines in Orissa

1524. SHRI CHANDRA MOHAN SINHA: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) whether thorough prospecting has been done by any Government agency in the iron ore mines situated at Badampahar, Sulaipat, Gorumohisani and Maharajpur in the District of Myurbhanj, Orissa; and

(b) if so, what is the quantity of iron ore deposits in each of these mines and what is the average rate of ore extraction per day in these mines?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF STEEL (SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The quantum of deposits and average rate of production per day as reported by the Indian Bureau of Mines, are given below:

Name of the Mine	Quantity of Iron Ore Deposits	Average rate of Production/day
1. Badampahar Iron Mines	55 lakh tonnes	169 tonnes
2. Sulaipat Iron Mines	30 lakh tonnes	122 tonnes
3. Goonimahisani Iron Mines	65 lakh tonnes	22 tonnes
4. Maharajpur Iron Mines	5 lakh tonnes	3 tonnes

Substandard Construction of Flats in Pitampura, New Delhi

1525. SHRI VIREN J. SHAH: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a report published in the 'Indian Express' of 11th April, 1992, under the caption "DDA's shoddy construction Pitampura";

(b) if so, whether the resident allottees of DDA flats, Road No. 41, Pitampura New Delhi, have brought to Government notice the poor and sub-standard construction of flats having no proper drain

system and presence of seepage in ground floor flats of the area ;

(c) if so, what action Government have taken in the matter; and

(d) whether Government have made any enquiry in respect of poor sub-standard construction of flats, if so, with what results ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Some of the allottees have alleged abouot peeling off plaster in ground floor flats, poor drainage system and seepage in ground floor flats.

(c) As per Regulation 19 ofo the Delhi Development Authority (Management and Disposal of Housing Estates) Regulations 1968, the allottees have been advised to attend to day to day maintenance of their flats. In case they require any technical assistance they can contact the field staff of the DDA.

(d) No, Sir. in so far as this area is concerned.

Pending urban development project of Tamil Nadu

1526. SHRI R. T. GOPALAN : Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether some Urban Development projects of Tamil Nadu are lying pending with Government for approval ;

(b) if so, the details thereof ; and

(c) the time by which these projects are likely to be approved ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Assignment of civil contracts by the CPWD, R. K. Puram, New Delhi

1527. SHRI BEKAL UTSAHI : Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) the number of civil contracts which have been awarded by the C.P.W.D. Sector-XII, R. K. Puram, New Delhi, from July, 1991 to 31st March, 1992 ;

(b) what is the nature of work assigned alongwith the amount allotted, type-wise ;

(c) what is the status of the officer who finally undertakes the inspection of the work done by the contractors and thereafter passes the amount for final payment of the contractors ;

(d) whether any complaints have been received in respect of the per quality of work ; and

(e) if so, what action Government propose to take against the CPWD employee(s)/contractors for default ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM) : (a) 63 contracts were awarded by the CPWD Enquiry, Sector XII, R. K. Puram during the period from July, 1991 to March, 1992.

(b) The nature of work and amount are as given in the enclosed statement (*See* below).

(c) As per provisions of the CPWD Manual Volume II, the Executive Engineer-incharge and the Asstt. Engineer concerned, undertake the inspection of the work done by the contractors and test check the measurements, while making payment of final bill to the contractors. In case of major works, tht inspection of works and completion certificates are issued by the Superintending Engineer and Senior Architect concerned.

(d) No such complaints were received regarding the poor quality of work.

(e) Does not arise in view of reply to part (d) above.